

Appl. No. 10/731,741
Response dated December 21, 2004
Reply to Office action of November 30, 2004

REMARKS

Applicant provisionally elects Group I, the claims readable thereon as being claims 1-17 and 24, which are drawn to an *in vitro* system comprising a notch ligand that supports T cell lymphopoiesis, and a method of forming cells of the T cell lineage, classified in class 435, subclass 325. This is without prejudice to Applicant filing a divisional application to the Group II, III and IV inventions.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee (including any claim fee) which may be required to our Deposit Account No. 02-2095.

In view of the foregoing comments and amendments, we respectfully submit that the application is in order for allowance and early indication of that effect is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner deem it beneficial to discuss the application in greater detail, he is kindly requested to contact the undersigned by telephone at (416) 957-1682 at his convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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